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Canada is half a continent and half of Canada is her western wonderland—the great, fertile plains of the interior, the subarctic forest and lake of the Precambrian shield and the successive ranges of glacier-clad mountains that finally plunge down to the Pacific in breathtaking fjords. It's worth while planning your trip to Western Canada and C.N.R. will help gladly. There's everything here: fishing in lakes where trout, walleye and Great Northern pike are as exciting as the scenery and more active sports all the way from golf to rock scrambling on the roof of the Rockies. You can ride trail and canoe back of beyond where there are no highways or just sit down and visit with the friendliest, most enthusiastic people in Canada—her westerners. The succeeding pages are a picture album of the west. To see it you will need to travel far. It's a thousand miles wide but transcontinental train services are designed to reach the major cities, "jumping-off" points, at convenient times. Our travel experts will plan an itinerary for you to any destination. And, now, let's choose that destination . . .





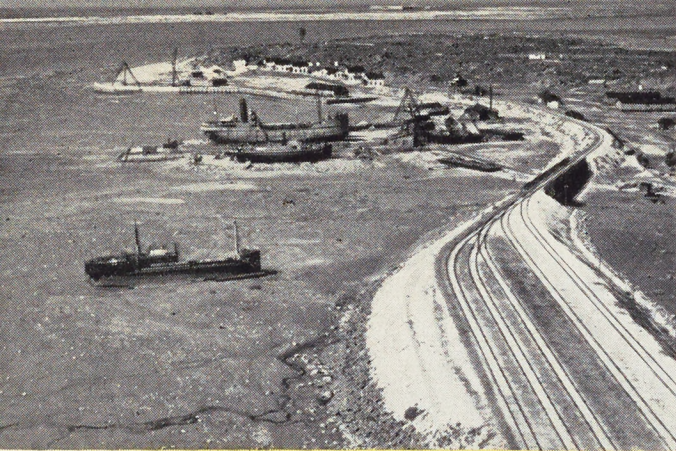
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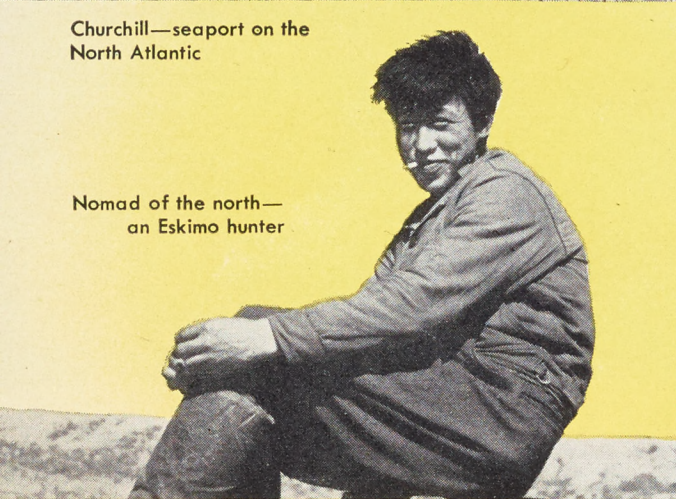
The Western provinces are not all grass and grain country, they're far from flat and uninteresting and, in spite of common report, they're by no means treeless. Manitoba, for example, is 40 per cent covered with forest and has an extensive lake and river system. Nor is her economy tied solely to cereal production. Mixed farming gives the countryside a pastoral aspect —fat cattle, sheep and swine, huge barns and numerous outbuildings, clover and alfalfa fields and, near the cities, market gardens. A big country builds big cities. Winnipeg, the provincial capital, is no exception. University, financial, railway, commercial, industrial and distributing centre, it is the oldest and most populous city on the great plains. Founded in 1811, its spirit is still young, as the visitor soon learns. Any Winnipegger will tell him that Portage Avenue is the widest downtown street in Canada and the longest, single shopping centre in the west. Winnipeg will always stay young in an environment close to nature. It's only 25 miles from Lake Winnipeg, a body of water that reaches 250 miles north into the rock and bush of the Precambrian Shield. The Shield is home to the zinc and copper smelter at Flin Flon and the hustling new nickel mine at Lynn Lake.

Manitoba's a good starting point to see the West.

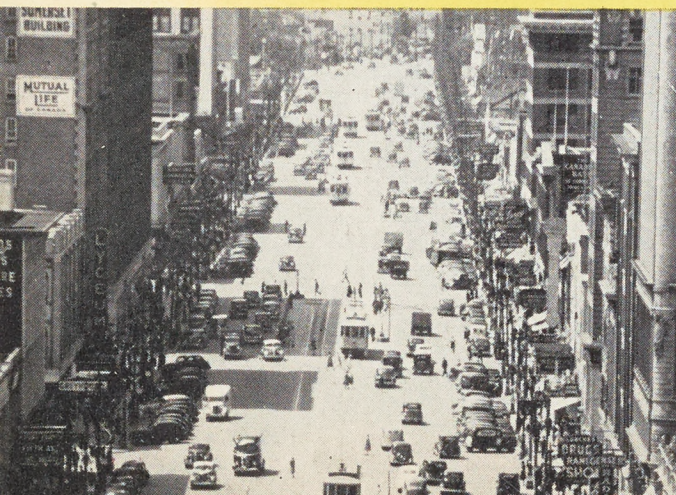




Churchill—seaport on the
North Atlantic



Nomad of the north—
an Eskimo hunter



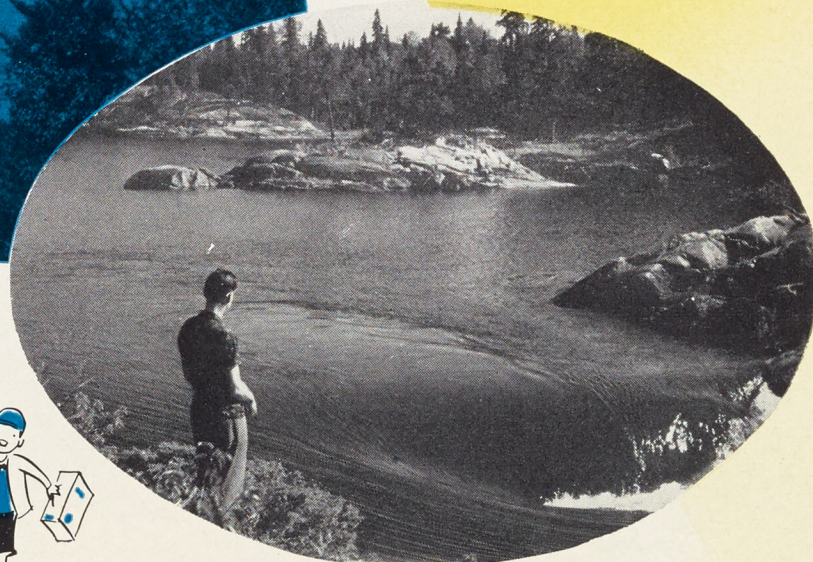
Portage Avenue
is broad and busy



Canadian National's Fort Garry Hotel, Winnipeg



Manitoba's legislative buildings



Power and sport—the Winnipeg River

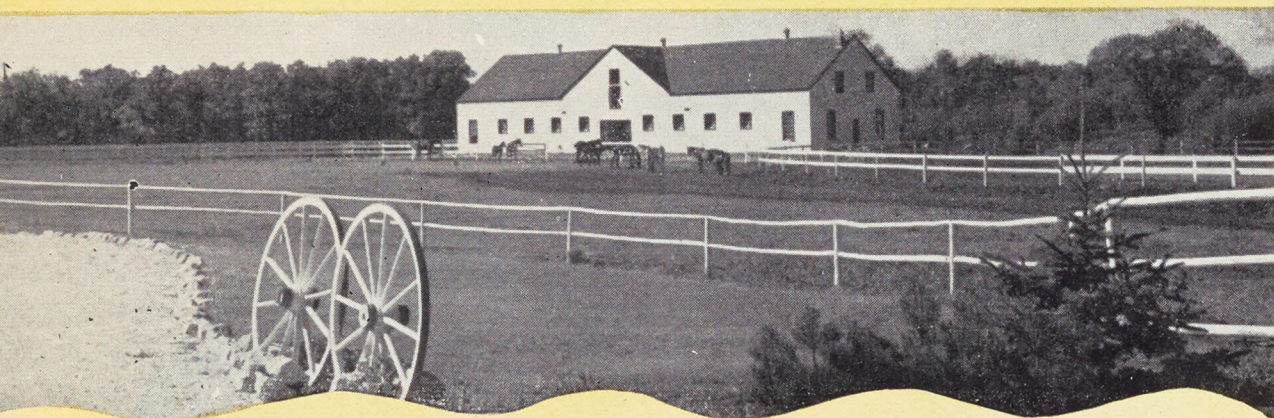




Upland game birds and fighting fish are here for the taking.

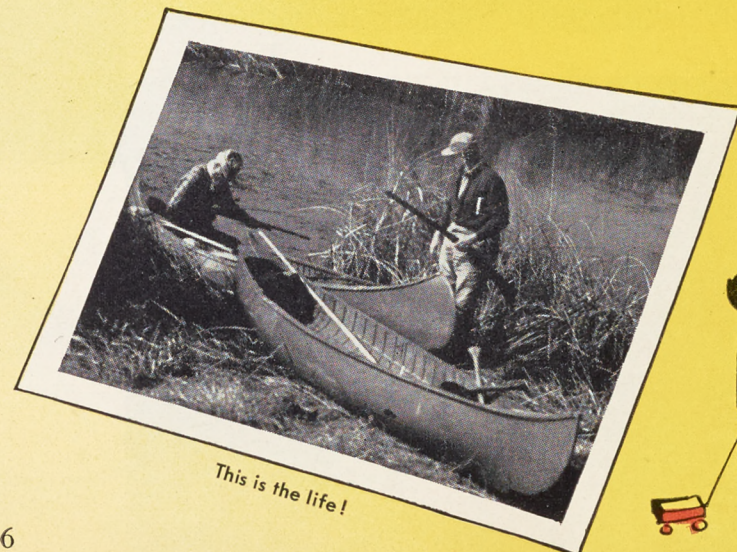


Health cocktail: sand and water



▲ Thoroughbreds live here

▼ Feeding time in Assiniboine Park, Winnipeg

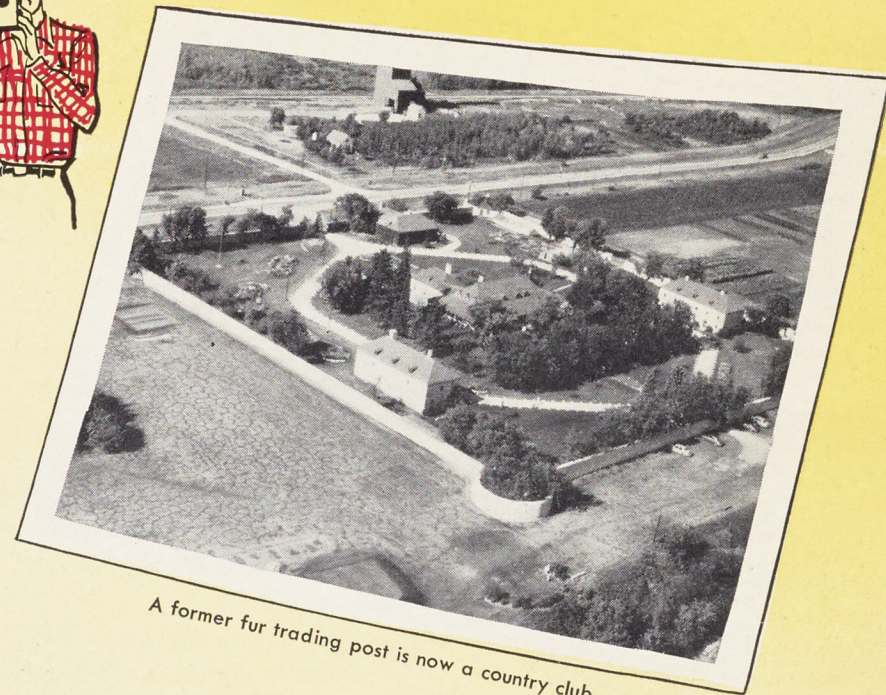


This is the life!





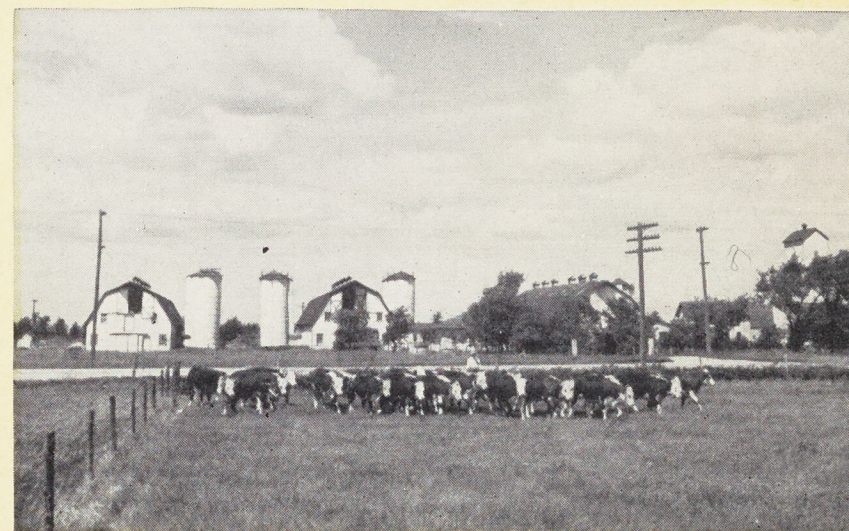
Golf in Riding Mountain National Park



A former fur trading post is now a country club



All that's left of Fort Prince of Wales, Churchill



The whitefaces come sleek, fat and marketable



SASKATCHEWAN

Once in a while Saskatchewan is unfairly tagged with the description "bald prairie".

No one who has dawn-stalked the flyways in the Qu'Appelle Valley, watched bounding antelope cover ground in the Cypress Hills or seen a Moose Mountain sunset would agree.

Yet they're all beauty spots of the open plains.

More than one-quarter of Canada's cultivated land is in Saskatchewan.

Much of it is park land: rolling countryside patched green and white with clumps of poplar trees and willow-rimmed sloughs, each slough a haven for young mallards, canvasbacks and geese.

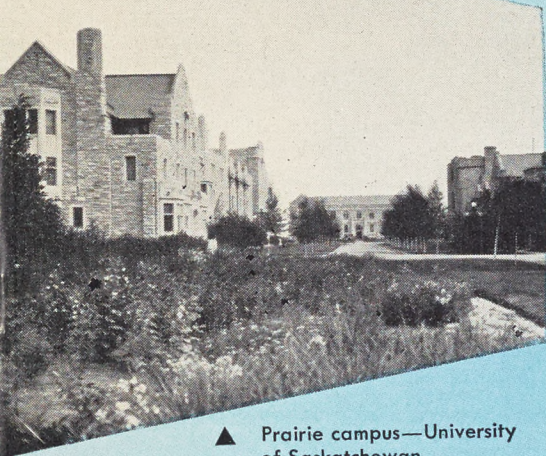
With a northern boundary along the 60th parallel, half of Saskatchewan is "north country", well forested, well watered, a vast outdoor playground for the fisherman, the hunter and the growing army of city dwellers who escape into the green silence each summer.

The province has nine park preserves. To those who were born there it's doubtful if anything can compare with the Saskatchewan farmlands: silver waves of ripe oats bowing to the breeze, the bronze carpets of heavily-burdened wheat fields waiting the mercy of the combine harvester, the lazy flight of the squirrel hawk watching for mice and gophers in the summerfallow,

the raucous enthusiasm of the country ball game.

This is home to the wanderer and a thrilling new experience for the visitor.





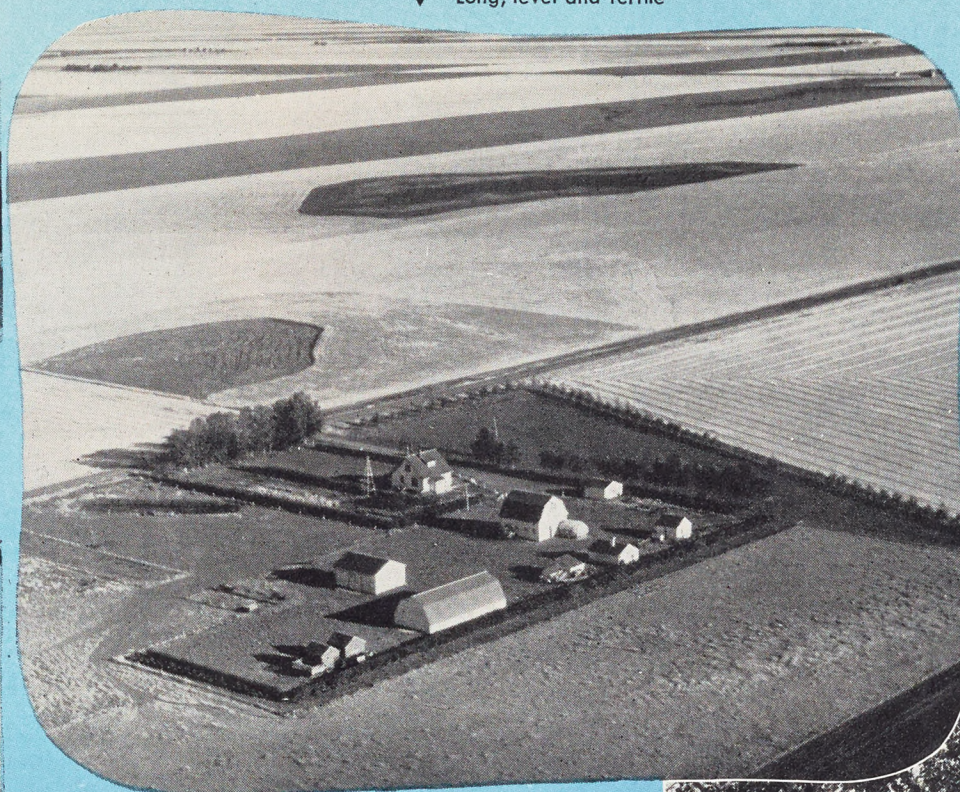
▲ Prairie campus—University of Saskatchewan



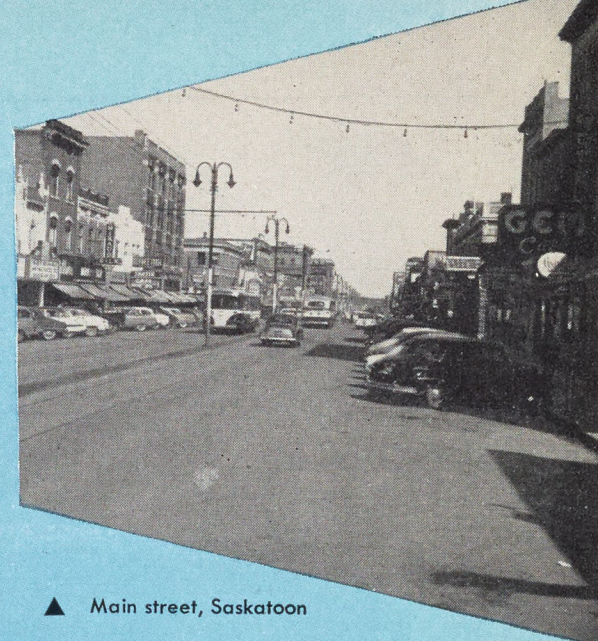
◀ Regina, capital of Saskatchewan



▲ After swathing comes harvesting



▼ Long, level and fertile



▲ Main street, Saskatoon



▼ Time for play, too

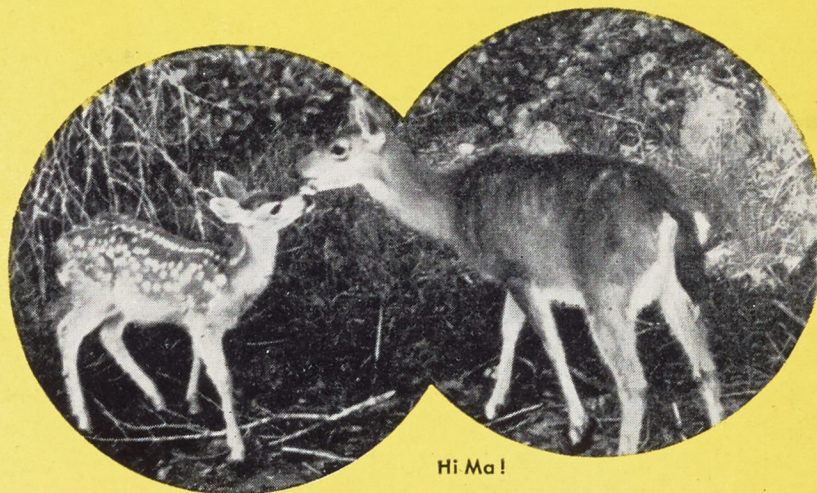




The stately Bessborough Hotel, Saskatoon



Prairie sentinels are her grain elevators



Hi Ma!

▼ Bag's full

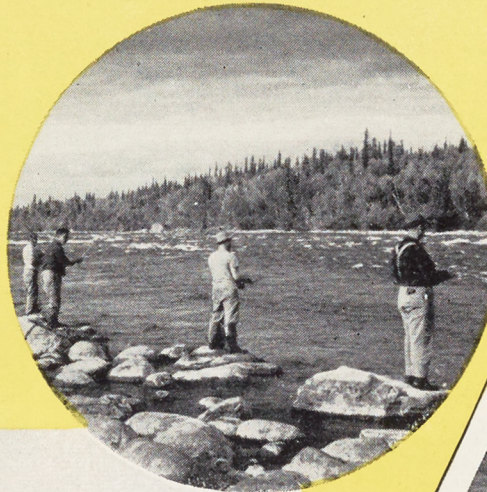


Where there's water there's fun





◀ Regina's Scarth St.



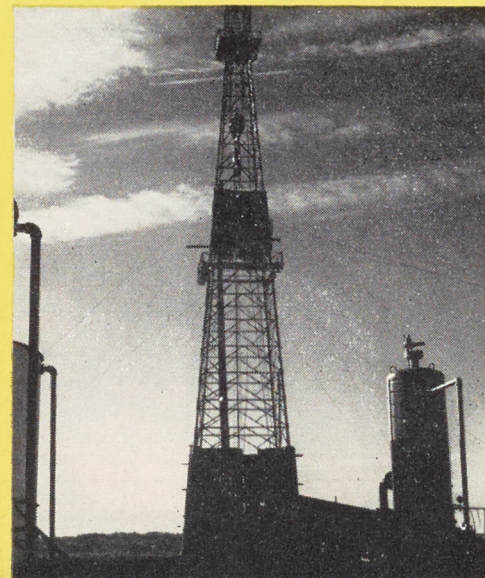
◀ Let's go fishing



M'm good!



Canada's famed red coats—her mounted police



◀ There's gold below ground, too



This year Saskatchewan celebrates her Golden Jubilee. Festivities are planned that will provide a fitting climax to 50 years of progress. A special invitation is extended to the pioneers, the men and women who "suffered untold hardship and displayed great fortitude" to build a great province.

ALBERTA

Alberta isn't like Texas—it's better.

It has oil and mountains, too, in fact everything in the tourist catalog except an ocean.

Any Albertan will quickly point out his lakes are sufficiently large to remedy the defect.

Some idea of the extent of the mountains is seen in the fact that their giant glaciers drain to the Arctic and Atlantic and feed into the Gulf of Mexico through the Missouri-Mississippi systems.

Nature was lavish here and a wise people set aside many national parks to keep the beauty intact.

Largest of them is Jasper National Park where C.N.R. operates an internationally-famed resort in the heart of the Rockies.

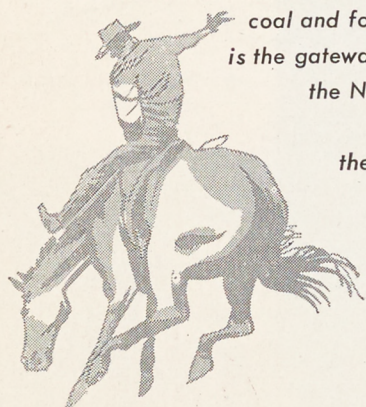
In their swift descent from the peaks Alberta's rivers have carved tremendous valleys through the foothills and prairies. It is spectacular country for large-scale cattle ranching.

Like her sister province to the east Alberta is a big grain producer.

She has also made the rivers work for her in the most extensive soil irrigation projects in Canada. Although the rolling farm lands are her greatest resource, Alberta has been well endowed with oil,

coal and forest. Her capital city of Edmonton is the gateway to the Peace River breadbasket and the Northwest Territories with their mineral riches.

Lush landscapes and a sunny climate—the mountains cut off the moist Pacific air—make Alberta a tourist "must".



Alberta, too, will celebrate its 50th birthday in 1955. September 4 to 11 has been set aside as Jubilee week. It is suggested that former Albertans try to visit their native province during this week of celebration if at all possible.

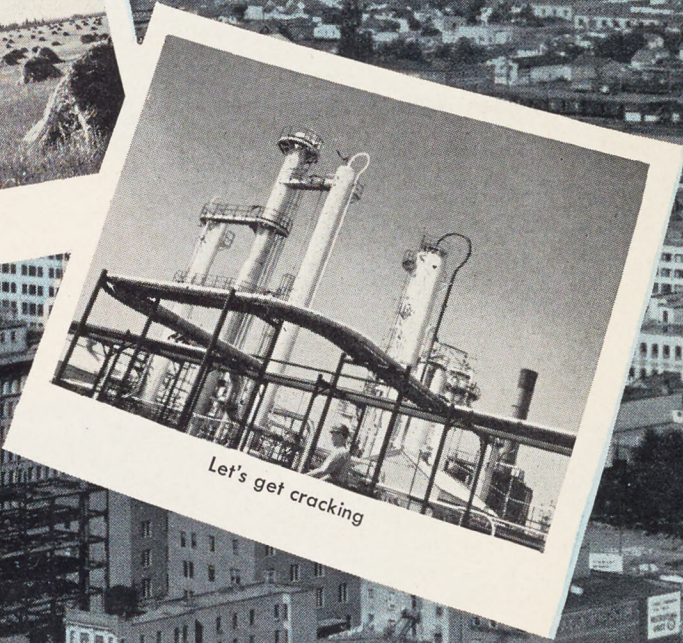




Forced landing



Sixty bushels to the acre



Let's get cracking

Fastest growing city in Canada, Edmonton is also the most northerly metropolis in the nation. Foreground is Canadian National's Macdonald Hotel.

◀ They once roamed here

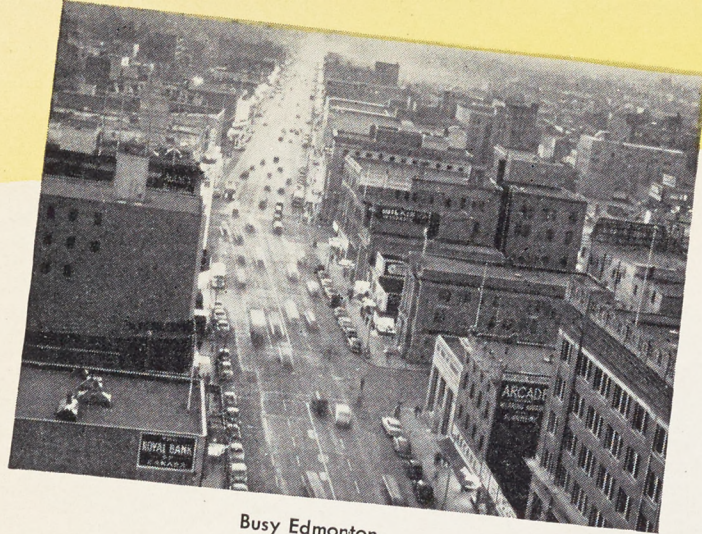


◀ Towards new pastures



Railway terminal, Edmonton

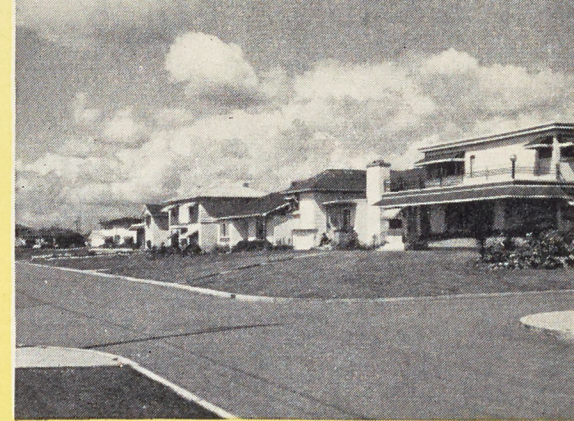




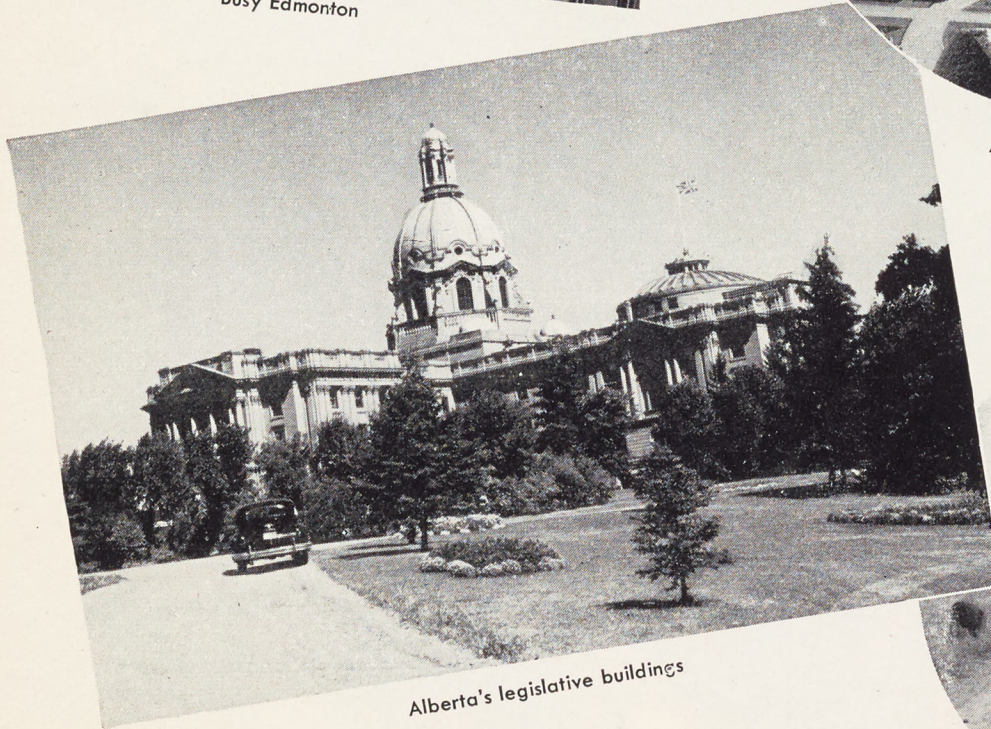
Busy Edmonton



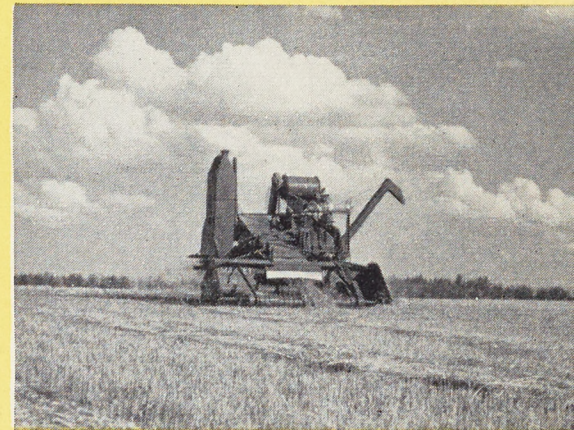
▲ Geometric garden — Calgary's city park



Wide streets and fine homes



Alberta's legislative buildings



Big country, big machines



They're government wards now

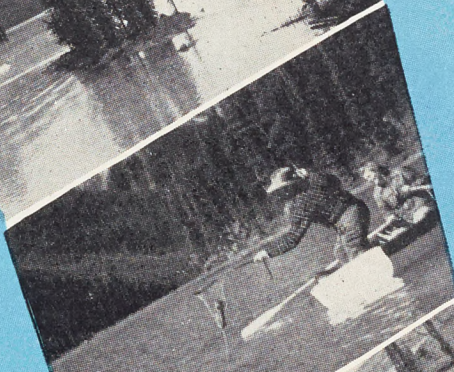


University campus

◀ Maligne Lake



▶ Medicine Lake



▲ Athabasca Valley



◀ Feeding time!



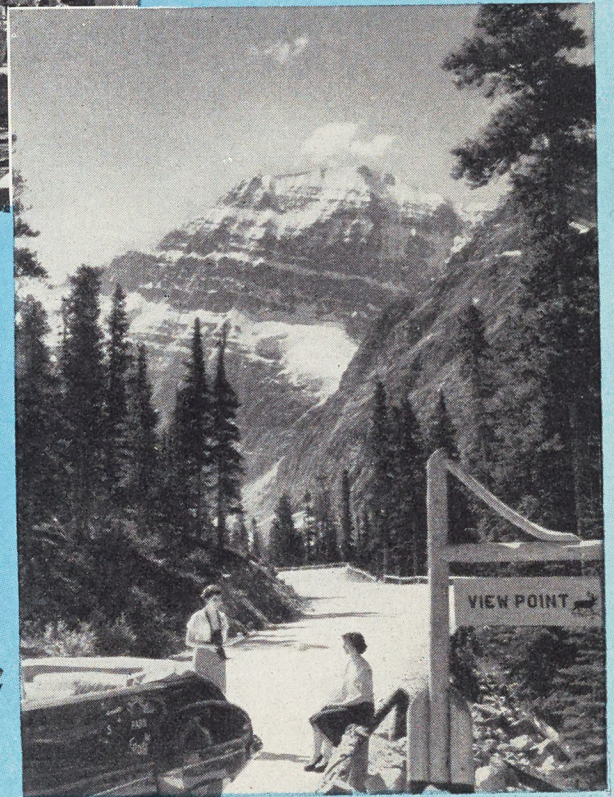
▶ Columbia Icefield



◀ Water babies



▲ Mount Edith Cavell



▼ Just try to keep your eye on the ball



PLANNED FOR PLEASURE . . .

Jasper Park Lodge is unique. Instead of one building it is a whole village built on the landscaped shore of a fabulous turquoise lake whose color changes with the time of day and whose waters reflect the surrounding mountains. The main lodge, below, is the social centre of this amazing community created to make holiday wishes come true.

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BRITISH COLUMBIA

Third largest province in Canada,

British Columbia shares the roof of the Rockies with Alberta.

Unlike Alberta, however, her mountains do not descend to the plains.

They keep marching, range after range, for 400 miles until they reach the Pacific.

Even the ocean can't hold them back. They reappear as a chain of green islands off the mainland. In between is one of the most scenic water reaches in the world: the Inside Passage to Alaska, cut and carved with bays and fjords, highlighted by blue glaciers and green forests, outlined in sharp peaks that often rise sheer from the water.

Canada's third largest city, hustling, enterprising Vancouver, sandwiched between the mountains and the sea, is the nerve centre of this far-western empire based on forest, fish and mineral. She has a unique way of living expressed in ultra-modern homes, her "Theatre Under the Stars", primeval Stanley Park, almost in the heart of the city.

Although Vancouver is the commercial capital, Victoria is the legislative centre of the province, a city of flowers and seascapes and a history dating back to 1843 when she was a militant, strategic post in the Pacific Northwest fur trade.

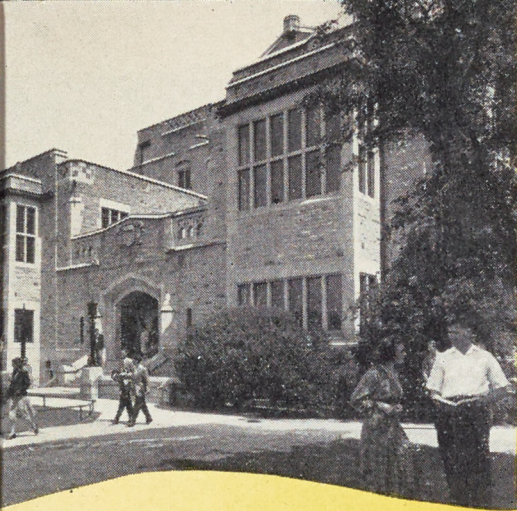
Somewhat unfairly B.C. has been described as a "sea of mountains".

The description leaves out the fertile Fraser Valley enclosed by forested hills,

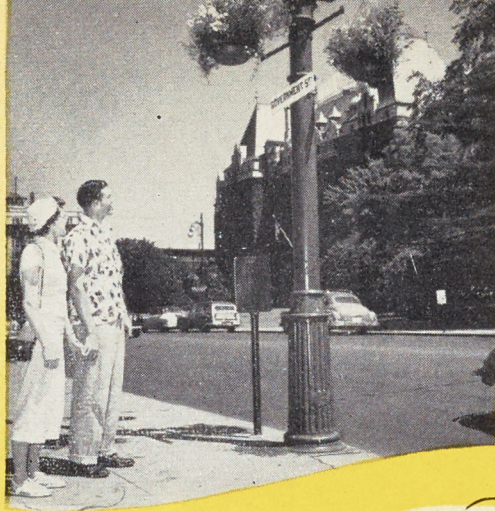
the fruit-growing Okanagan whose orchards rise high above the lake that waters them, the Cariboo country with its herds of beef cattle and fine hunting, the totem-poled valley of the Skeena with halibut-rich Prince Rupert at its mouth.

When she says she has "everything", British Columbia speaks with modesty.

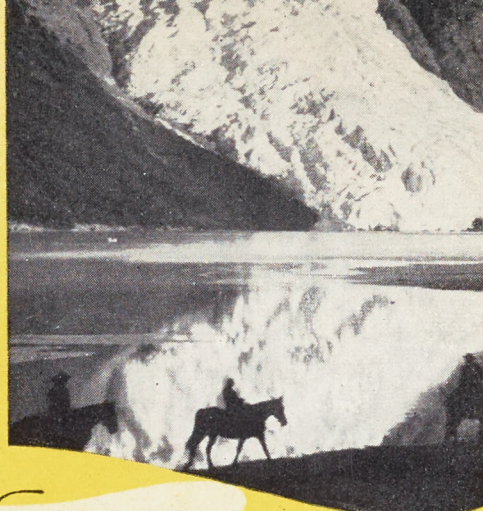




Campus by the Pacific



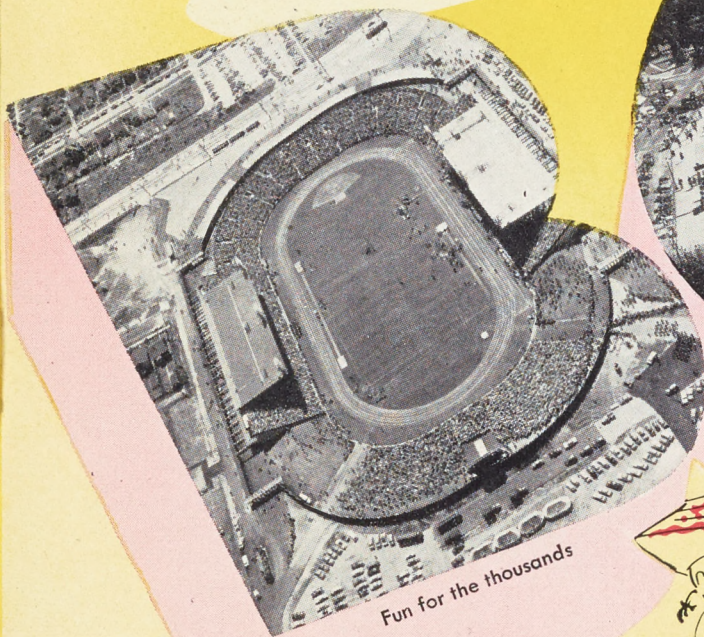
Floral lamp-posts in Victoria



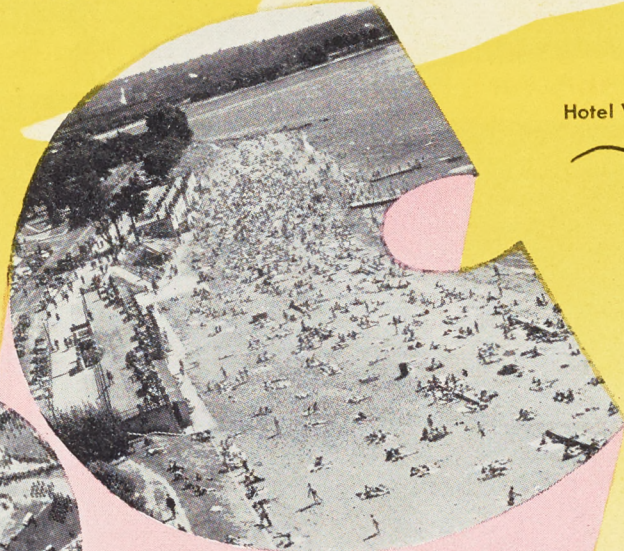
Tumbling Glacier



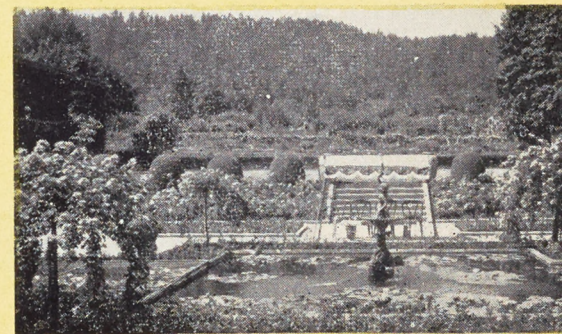
Hotel Vancouver



Fun for the thousands



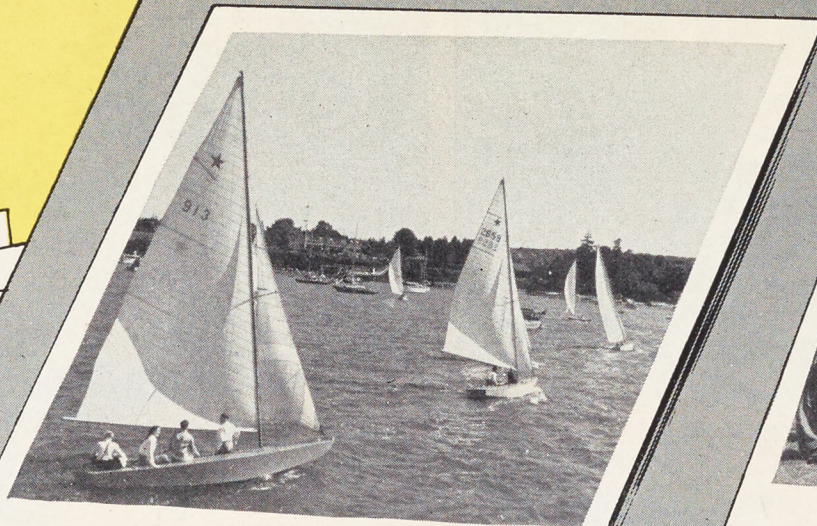
Victoria Harbor



A garden showplace



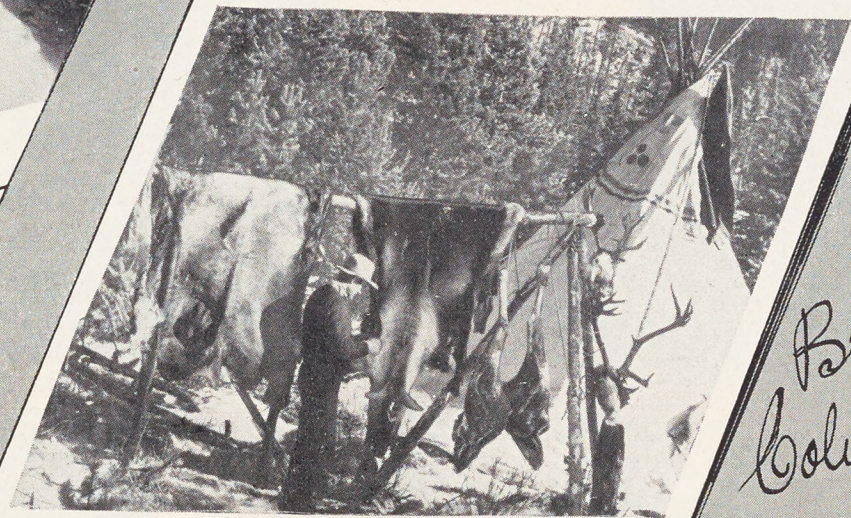
Emperor Falls



Mosquito fleet



High fairway



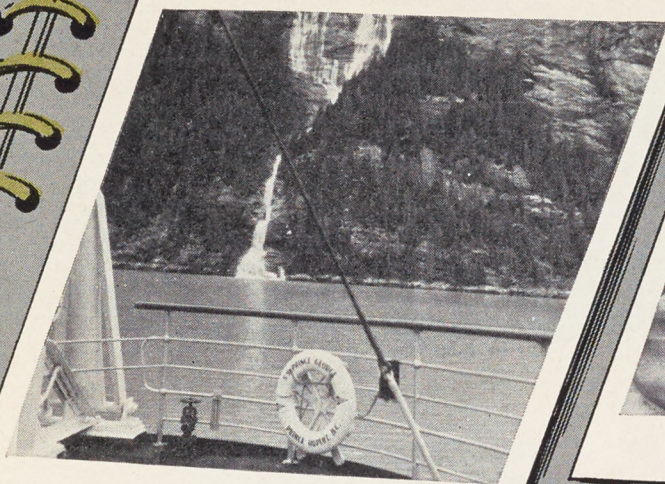
To the victor...

*In
British
Columbia*



Want a salmon?

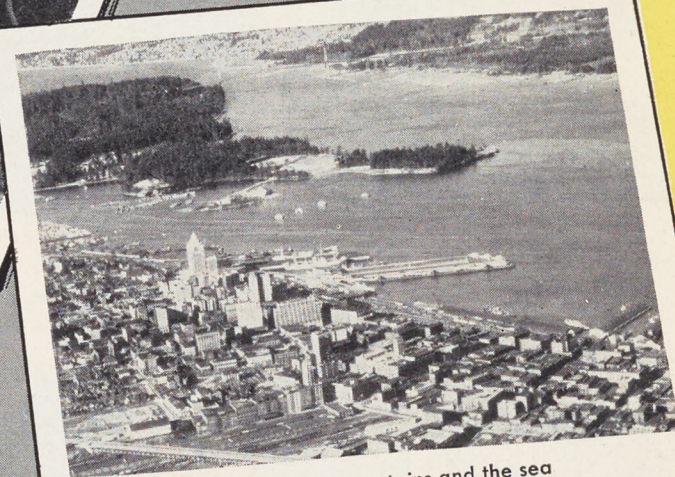




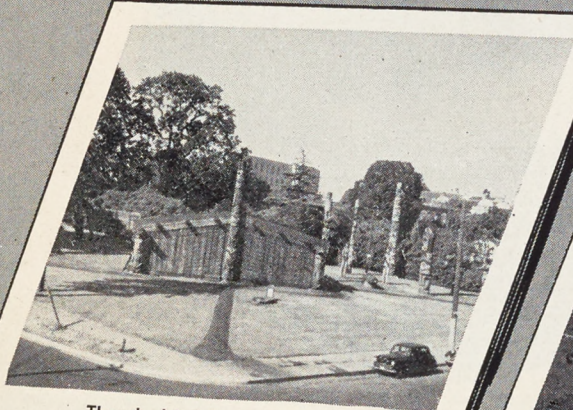
Falls in a fjord



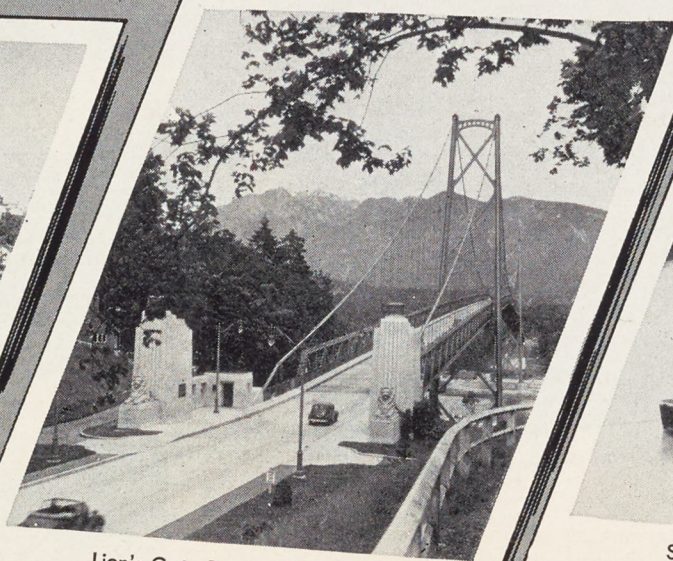
Soup and fish



Between the mountains and the sea



Thunderbird Park, Victoria



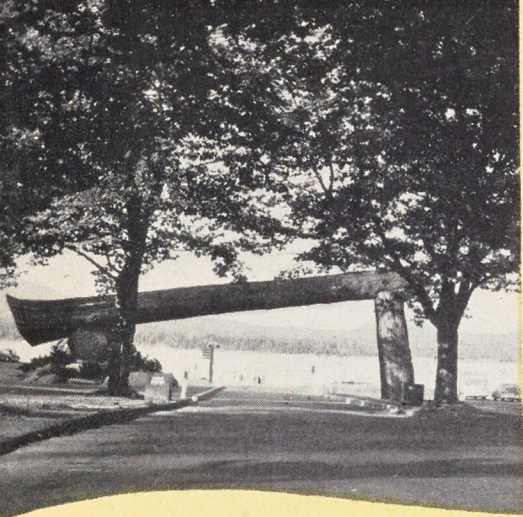
Lion's Gate Bridge, Vancouver



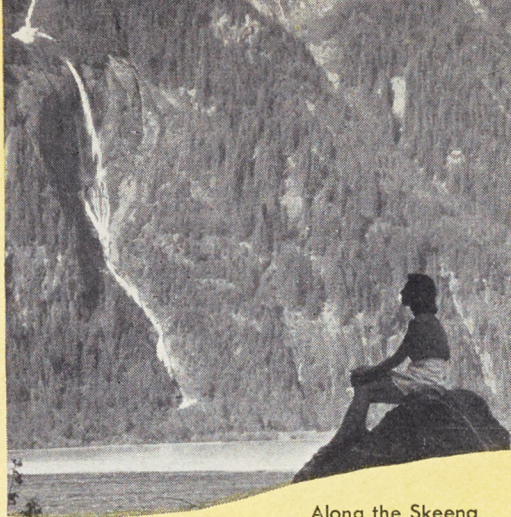
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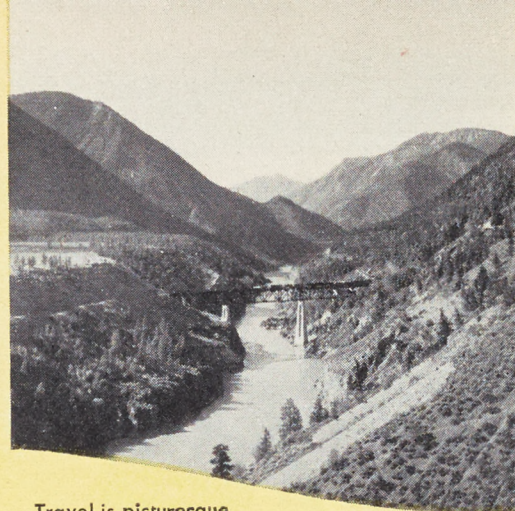
Capilano Canyon



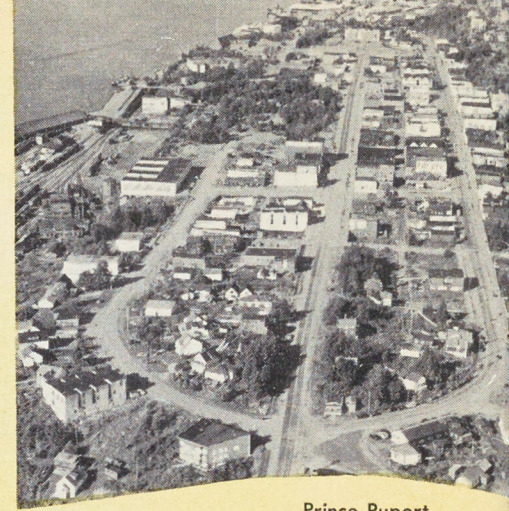
In Stanley Park



Along the Skeena



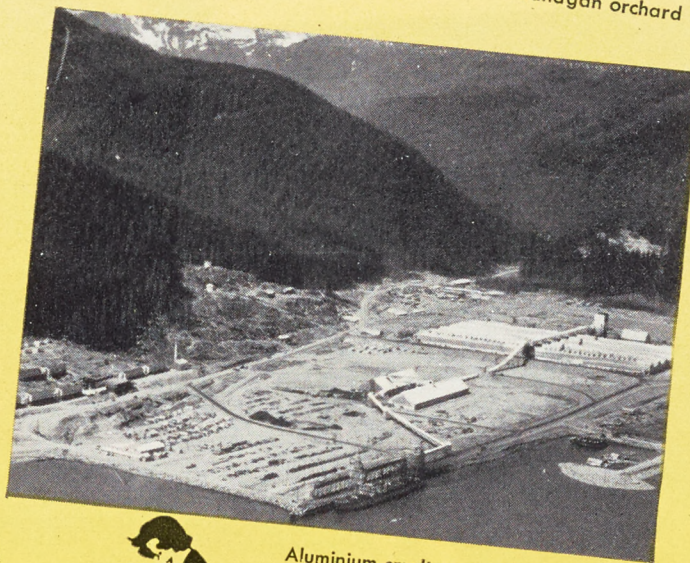
Travel is picturesque



Prince Rupert



A Tyee Salmon



Aluminium smelter at Kitimat

Okanagan orchard



Riding we will go



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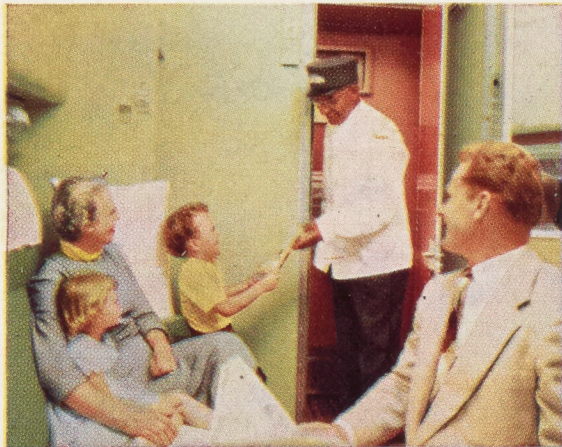
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